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The House met at 11:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

In honor of the birthday of our first President, George Washington, I offer his own words as our prayer:

Almighty God, we make our earnest prayer that Thou wilt keep the United States in Thy holy protection; that Thou wilt incline the hearts of the citizens to cultivate a spirit of subordination and obedience to government; and entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another and for their fellow citizens of the United States at large.

And finally, that Thou wilt most graciously be pleased to dispose us all to do justice, to love mercy, and to demean ourselves with that charity, humility, and pacific temper of mind which were the characteristics of the Divine Author of our blessed religion, and without a humble imitation of whose example in these things we can never hope to be a happy Nation.

Grant our supplication, we beseech Thee.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to section 5(a)(1)(A) of House Resolution 8, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE CLIMATE CRISIS

The SPEAKER. The Chair announces her appointment, pursuant to section 4(d) of House Resolution 8, 117th Congress, and the order of the House of January 4, 2021, of the following Members to the Select Committee on the Climate Crisis:

Ms. CASTOR, Florida, Chair
Ms. BONAMICI, Oregon
Ms. BROWNLEY, California
Mr. HUFFMAN, California
Mr. McEACHIN, Virginia
Mr. LEVIN, California
Mr. CASTEN, Illinois
Mr. NEGUSE, Colorado
Ms. ESCOBAR, Texas
Mr. GRAVES, Louisiana

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE MODERNIZATION OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER. The Chair announces her appointment, pursuant to section 4(e) of House Resolution 8, 117th Congress, and the order of the House of January 4, 2021, of the following Members to the Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress:

Mr. KILMER, Washington, Chair
Ms. LOFGREN, California
Mr. CLEAVER, Missouri
Mr. PERLMUTTER, Colorado
Mr. PHILLIPS, Minnesota
Ms. WILLIAMS, Georgia
Mr. TIMMONS, South Carolina
Mr. RODNEY DAVIS, Illinois
Mr. LATTA, Ohio
Mr. RESCIENTHALER, Pennsylvania
Ms. VAN DUYN, Texas

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SELECT SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS

The SPEAKER. The Chair announces her appointment, pursuant to section

4(f) of House Resolution 8, 117th Congress, and the order of the House of January 4, 2021, of the following Members to the Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis:

Mr. CLYBURN, South Carolina, Chair
Ms. WATERS, California
Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY, New York
Ms. VELAZQUEZ, New York
Mr. FOSTER, Illinois
Mr. RASKIN, Maryland
Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Illinois
Mr. SCALISE, Louisiana
Mr. JORDAN, Ohio
Mr. GREEN, Tennessee
Ms. MALLIOTAKIS, New York

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUALS TO GOVERNING BOARD OF OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ETHICS

The SPEAKER. The Chair announces her appointment, pursuant to section 4(c) of House Resolution 8, 117th Congress, and the order of the House of January 4, 2021, of the following individuals to serve as the Governing Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics:

Nominated by the Speaker after consultation with the minority leader:

Mr. David Skaggs, Colorado, Chair
Brigadier General (retired) Belinda Pinckney, Virginia
Ms. Karan English, Arizona
Mr. Mike Barnes, Maryland, alternate

Nominated by the minority leader after consultation with the Speaker:

Mr. Paul D. Vinovich, District of Columbia, Co-Chair
Mr. Leon Acton Westmoreland, Georgia
Ms. Karen L. Haas, Maryland
Mr. Robert Hurt, Virginia, alternate

MOMENT OF SILENCE IN REMEMBRANCE OF 500,000 AMERICANS LOST TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS

The SPEAKER. The Chair asks all Members in the Chamber, as well as

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